

## **TYPES OF CONDUCT RESULTING IN DISCIPLINE IN 2008**

The types of conduct are listed in order of prevalence. The numbers indicate the number of times each type of conduct resulted in discipline. A single act of misconduct was counted once and assigned to the category most descriptive of the misconduct. If multiple types of misconduct were involved in a single case, each different type of conduct was counted and assigned to the appropriate category. However, if the same type of conduct occurred on multiple occasions in a single case, it was counted only once.

**DEMEANOR/DECORUM**  
(Includes inappropriate humor)  
[16]

**ON-BENCH ABUSE OF AUTHORITY  
IN PERFORMANCE OF  
JUDICIAL DUTIES**  
[9]

**BIAS OR APPEARANCE OF BIAS**  
(Not directed toward a particular class)  
(Includes embroilment, prejudgment,  
favoritism)  
[8]

**DISQUALIFICATION/DISCLOSURE/  
POST-DISQUALIFICATION CONDUCT**  
[4]

**FAILURE TO ENSURE RIGHTS**  
[3]

**MISCELLANEOUS OFF-BENCH  
CONDUCT**  
[3]

**ABUSE OF CONTEMPT/SANCTIONS**  
[2]

**ADMINISTRATIVE MALFEASANCE**  
(Includes conflicts between judges,  
failure to supervise staff, delay in  
responding to complaints about  
commissioners)  
[2]

**EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS**  
[2]

**ALCOHOL OR DRUG RELATED  
CRIMINAL CONDUCT**  
[1]

**DECISIONAL DELAY, FALSE SALARY  
AFFIDAVITS**  
[1]

**FAILURE TO COOPERATE,  
LACK OF CANDOR**  
[1]

**BIAS OR APPEARANCE OF BIAS**  
(Toward a particular class)  
[1]

**MISUSE OF COURT RESOURCES**  
[1]

**NON-PERFORMANCE OF  
JUDICIAL FUNCTIONS/  
ATTENDANCE/SLEEPING**  
[1]

**OFF-BENCH ABUSE OF OFFICE**  
(Includes improper use of office  
stationery)  
[1]

**SEXUAL HARASSMENT/  
INAPPROPRIATE WORKPLACE GENDER  
COMMENTS**  
[1]

**IMPROPER POLITICAL  
ACTIVITIES**  
[1]

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE**  
[1]